

QUITS COUNCIL TO QUALIFY FOR JOB

Alderman Richardson Resigns, and Will Run Electric Plant a Year Hence.

LIGHTS ON BROAD STREET

Current May Be Turned on Tomorrow Night or Certainly by Saturday.

Two features marked the meeting of the Council Committee on Electricity last night. E. Douglas Richardson, member of the Board of Aldermen from Marshall Ward and chairman of the committee, resigned, preparatory to leaving the Council in order to become eligible for the position of superintendent of the municipal electric lighting and power plant, having already enough votes pledged to insure his election. E. W. Trafford, consulting engineer in the construction of the plant, announced positively that the lights on Broad Street would be burning in all probability by to-morrow night, and positively not later than Saturday night.

Alderman Richardson, at the conclusion of the business before the committee, called Subchairman Lynch to the chair and stated that while he regretted the fact, he desired to tender his resignation in order to expedite the business of the committee.

Must Be Out One Year.
The fact that he would resign was an open secret. It has been known for some time that Mr. Richardson aspired to the superintendency of the new plant, and that he had secured enough pledges from his colleagues to insure his election. The new Constitution provides that a member of the Council must have vacated his seat at least one year before being elected to any other municipal office. It was for this reason that the Marshall Ward member resigned. He will offer his resignation at the meeting of the Board of Aldermen at the meeting of that body to be held to-night.

The announcement by Engineer Trafford that the municipal plant was now ready for operation and that the lights on Broad Street would be turned on certainly not later than Saturday night, and that in all probability they would be lighted to-morrow night, was greeted with pleasure both by the members of the committee and the large audience which had assembled expecting that the election of the force necessary to conduct the plant would take place. The plant is all ready, the poles are wired and all that is lacking are the lamps. These lamps are somewhere between Petersburg and Richmond. They were expressed several days ago and another consignment left there yesterday. From reports received, these lamps should arrive to-day or to-morrow at the latest, and it will then be only the work of a few hours to have them placed. Broad Street will in reality be a great white way during the Christmas holidays and after.

Mr. Lynch Chairman.
Subchairman John J. Lynch was elected chairman to succeed Mr. Richardson and Alderman John P. Don Leavy, of Clay Ward, was elected as subchairman.

A petition from McClay & Co. for payment of \$2,000 on contract was denied.

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nied until all of the work was completed. The question of a private branch telephone exchange for the City Hall, connecting all offices, was discussed on recommendation of City Electrician Thompson, who pointed out the many benefits to be derived in addition to saving money for the city. A subcommittee consisting of Messrs. Davis, Ratcliffe and Lumsden was appointed to confer with a like committee from the Committee on Grounds and Buildings as to the advisability of establishing such an exchange.

A Committee on Wants, to prepare the needs of the department to be presented to the Budget Committee, was appointed, and will consist of the chairman and Messrs. Jones and Atkinson. It was reported that seventy-nine poles on Broad Street were already equipped with lights and that 320 additional lights were needed to complete the display. These additional lights are now en route to Richmond.

Several petitions for removing poles from certain streets were read and referred to the consulting engineer, with power to act after conference with the City Engineer.

Invitations to Luncheon.
About twenty invitations have been issued by J. Henry Miller, general contractor for the new Federal building in Richmond, for a luncheon to be given at the Business Men's Club immediately following the laying of the corner-stone of the new building next Saturday afternoon. The stone will be laid by Meridian Lodge, No. 24, with imposing ceremonies.

Tipstaff Ill.
Charles L. Jones, the popular tipstaff of the Hustings Court, is ill at his home, 115 West Marshall Street.

THE WEATHER

Forecast: North Carolina—Fair, continuing cold; Wednesday increasing cloudiness and slightly warmer; probably rain; moderate north to northeast winds.

Virginia—Fair, continued cold Tuesday; Wednesday fair, slightly warmer; light to moderate northwest to north winds.

CONDITIONS YESTERDAY.
8 A. M. temperature 27
Wind, direction 34
Wind, velocity 5
Weather Clear
Rainfall 0
12 M. temperature 30
3 P. M. temperature 35
Maximum temperature up to 5 39
Minimum temperature up to 5 29
P. M. temperature 26
Mean temperature 32
Normal temperature 42
Deficiency in temperature yesterday 10
Accum. deficiency in temperature since January 1 235
Excess in rainfall since March 1 2.55
Accum. excess in rainfall since January 1 2.13

Conditions in Other Cities.

Place	Temp.	Weather
Atlantic City	29	Cloudy
Boston	28	Clear
Buffalo	18	Clear
Louisville	28	Clear
Memphis	31	P. Cloudy
Omaha	44	Cloudy
Kansas	26	P. Cloudy
Knoxville	28	Clear
Charlotte	46	Clear
San Francisco	58	Clear
Portland	35	Clear
Seattle	32	Clear
Raleigh	34	Clear
Norfolk	24	P. Cloudy
Wilmington	33	Cloudy
Washington	23	Clear
Tampa	58	Clear
Jacksonville	60	Clear
New Orleans	48	Cloudy
Galveston	62	P. Cloudy
Mobile	41	Cloudy
Pittsburgh	24	Cloudy
Key West	66	Clear
Savannah	49	Clear

RICHARDSON MAY FACE OPPOSITION

Members of Electricity Committee Talk of Trafford for Superintendent.

While the resignation of Alderman E. Douglas Richardson from the Committee on Electricity, and his announced resignation from the Board of Aldermen, came somewhat as a surprise to members of the Council last night, as it had not been expected that he would retire until about March 1, it seems to be practically agreed that his successor will be S. P. Cowardin, of the Third Precinct of Marshall Ward.

That precinct has now no representation in the Council, and as Mr. Richardson comes from the north section of Church Hill, all that new part taken in in the annexation of 1906, and embracing a large population, is clamoring for representation. It has not been determined as yet whether the ward delegation, composed of Aldermen A. C. Nelson, of Pulaski, and John R. Grimes, of Church Hill, will caucus to-day and present a nomination to the Board to-night to succeed Mr. Richardson, and several other names have been mentioned, but from those in the field, Mr. Cowardin is certainly the strongest candidate.

Mr. Richardson will be a candidate, as soon as the year required by the State Constitution has elapsed, for the position of superintendent of the new municipal electric plant.

He claims to have the votes already pledged to elect him. Some of those present last night construed Mr. Trafford's letter to the Electricity Committee, offering to take temporary charge, as holding out the possibility that the consulting engineer might himself become a candidate for the permanent position of superintendent. Members of the committee said last night that if Mr. Trafford should consent to give up his general practice and run for the position, he would make a formidable candidate, even in the face of the votes Mr. Richardson has pledged before leaving the Board of Aldermen.

A member of the committee said that there was every prospect of a close race continuing with stiff canvassing throughout the year, and that a dark horse might yet win the superintendency, notwithstanding the personal popularity of Mr. Richardson among members of the Council. Mr. Trafford's claim to the position, should he decide to run, will depend largely on his ability to prove the accuracy of his figures and estimates. He told the Board of Aldermen two years ago that in addition to furnishing free power for pumping water, the plant he had designed would furnish street lights at \$36 per lamp per year, as against the \$150 paid to the Virginia Railway and Power Company.

If he does that for the first year, several Councilmen said last night that they would vote for him as superintendent without reservation.

FOUR INCHES OF ICE ON DAVENPORTS' POND

Skaters Have Great Time, and Many Journey to Favorite Place to Show Their Skill.

Skaters had a jolly old time of it last night, and on ice skates, too. Davenport's Pond, a favorite place for the skaters, was covered with four inches of the stuff which the Frost King prepares, and more than two score followers of the sport were on the ice. Davenport's is known as the first body of water in the vicinity of Richmond to freeze and the last to thaw.

If the present cold wave continues a few days longer there will be skating on all of the ponds and lakes around the city, and the pent-up energy of those who can no longer figure skis and initials in the ice may be given free play. It is not often that opportunity is given the local contingent to get any real skating, and all manage to advantage themselves of the short periods when the water freezes.

TWO SUITS DECIDED

Small Verdicts Rendered by Jury in Law and Equity Court.

The suit of Annette Keane against the Planters National Bank was tried yesterday in the Law and Equity Court, the jury returning a verdict for \$2734, which the bank paid at once.

Two cases brought by W. T. Allen against W. L. Elkins were tried as one by consent after hearing the evidence. The jury returned a joint verdict for damages in the sum of \$90. Both of the cases were appealed from the Court of the Civil Justice.

Marriage Licenses.
Marriage licenses were issued yesterday in the Hustings Court to Robert L. Granger and Hester J. Brockwell, and to Bartley J. Ballard and Donnie Jones.

Aldermen Meet To-Night.
The Board of Aldermen will meet to-night

Everything for the Xmas Holidays

Raisins, Nuts, Candies and Fruits

1 lb. Santa Claus Seeded Raisins 8c
1 lb. Cleaned Currants 10c
New Citron, per pound 10c
Large Juicy Lemons, dozen 20c
New Virginia Buckwheat, lb. 5c
Granulated Sugar, lb. 5c
Stag Brand Gelatine, 5c
Wine for Jelly, quart 20c
Quaker's or Mother's Oats, pkg. 9c
California Asparagus, can 20c
Fresh Eggs, per dozen 28c
4-String Brown 25c
\$1.00 bottles Duffy Malt Whiskey 85c
Swift Purity Soap, 7 for 25c
Large Juicy Lemons, dozen 20c
Large New Irish Potatoes, per peck, 20c; or, per bushel 75c
Cream Cheese, per pound 20c
Try our 40c Green or Mixed Tea for cold tea. It's regular 60c kind.
Extra Large Fat Mackerel, 6 for 25c
Old Virginia Herring Roe, in 2-lb. cans, 2 for 25c
Smoked California Hams, per lb. 14c
Elgin Butter, per pound 32c
Early June Peas, 3 cans for 25c
Hamilton Roasted Coffee, 1-lb. packages 17c
3 cans Tomatoes for soup 10c
Best City Meal, 20c peck; or, per bushel 75c
Chipped Beef, per can 8c

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Shaving Mirrors,
Razor Cases,
Poker Sets,
Pipe Racks,

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Ladies' Hand Bags,
Opera Bags,
Vanity Bags,
Writing Cases,
Manicure Sets,
Scissor Cases,
Jewel Boxes,
Sewing Sets,
Needle Cases,
Laundry Lists,

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at 8 o'clock to face a long and important docket, the record from the Common Council for concurrence being the largest the new Council has yet adopted.

The Committee on Finance has been called to meet at 2:45 o'clock to pass on several emergency appropriation matters, which will go later to the Board of Aldermen.

Goes to Higher Court.

Mary Eliza Morris, a colored woman, fifty years old, was sent on to the grand jury from the Police Court yesterday morning on a charge of selling cocaine. She was caught early Sunday morning by Sergeant Martin and Police-men Tuller and Bolton, and when she broke down, confessed and surrendered a small bottle of cocaine and eight packages containing "sniffs."

HAS TREMENDOUS FORTUNE



GEORGE W. PERKINS, chairman of the New York Life, and more recently the most active member of the financial arm of J. P. Morgan & Co., has announced he will retire from the firm on January 1. He is only forty-eight years old, but in the thirty years of his activity in the world of finance he has built up a tremendous fortune.

CHARTERS ISSUED

The following charters were issued yesterday by the State Corporation Commission: Tinsley Construction Company (Inc.), Roanoke, Va. C. L. Tinsley, president; W. G. Tinsley, vice-president; C. C. Tinsley, secretary and treasurer—all of Roanoke Va. Capital: Maximum, \$15,000; minimum \$5,000. Objects: Construction and contract work.

Appomattox Casualty Company (Inc.), Petersburg, Va. J. E. Welch, president; Dr. R. A. Gamble, secretary, both of Petersburg, Va.; M. C. Doubles, treasurer, Richmond, Capital: Maximum, \$100,000; minimum, \$25,000. Objects: Life and accident insurance business.

Boone Milling Company (Inc.), Boone Mill, Va. J. E. Turner, president; Jack Garst, vice-president, both of Boone Mill, Va.; F. A. Mitchell, secretary and treasurer, Roanoke, Va. Capital: Maximum, \$10,000; minimum, \$5,000. Objects: Sawmill, gristmill and mercantile business.

Bellview Orchard Company (Inc.), Staunton, Va. J. S. Pancake, president; Staunton, Va.; L. A. Bell, vice-president; Fishersville, Va.; William A. Pratt, secretary and treasurer, Staunton, Va. Capital: Maximum, \$25,000; minimum, \$10,000. Objects: Plant and grow orchards and sell all kinds of fruits.

Alpha Chapter Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity (Inc.), University of Virginia, R. M. Bird, president; John L. Kahle, vice-president; University of Virginia, secretary—all of University of Virginia. Objects: Literary society.

An amendment was issued to the charter of the Poe Investment Corporation, of Norfolk, increasing the maximum capital stock from \$25,000 to \$10,000.

FAILS OF QUORUM

Ordinance Meeting Fails of City Collector Not Acted On.

The Council Committee on Ordinance, Charter and Reform, called to meet last night to take up the ordinance regulating the fees of the office of the City Collector, failed of a quorum. Captain Frank W. Cunningham, the present City Collector, and Chairman H. R. Pollock, vice-president of the ordinance, were there, but a quorum of the committee failed to respond to the call of Chairman Cunningham's secretary, and after waiting for more than half an hour the committee adjourned to meet at the call of the chairman.

The meeting of the Council Committee on Relief of the Poor, scheduled for last night, was postponed until next Monday night at 8 o'clock.

Two subcommittees from the Council Committee on Streets met yesterday afternoon to go over details for ward improvements, and the subcommittee from the Committee on Water, in session to consider several increases in salaries in the Water Department.

MR. McCABE HURT

Contractor's Back May Be Broken by Forty-Foot Fall.

Loosing his balance while supervising the construction of a building at Barton Heights yesterday afternoon, Thomas W. McCabe, about forty years old, a contractor, of 320 North Tenth Street, fell forty feet, and it is thought his back may be broken.

His injury was not thought to be serious at first, and he was taken to his home, but later removed to the Virginia Hospital for examination. An X-ray photograph of the injured portion of his body was taken last night.

Dr. Hugh M. Taylor, Mr. McCabe's physician, after a preliminary examination was of the opinion that the man's back is broken, but said that this will not be known positively until to-day.

J. M. Norman.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
DANVILLE, Va., December 12.—News was received received here to-night announcing the sudden death of J. M. Norman, which occurred while on the train en route from Highland, N. C., to Atlanta, Ga. He had been confined in a sanatorium for several months. He was about forty years of age and was born at Sheridan, a few miles below this city. He is survived by his wife, a son, two brothers and a sister, the latter being Mrs. C. K. Carter, of this city.

FOGEL RE-ELECTED.

Officers of Philadelphia National League Chosen for Year.

Philadelphia, December 12.—Horace S. Fogel was today re-elected president of the Philadelphia National League baseball club at the annual meeting of the organization in Camden, N. J. Frank S. Elliot, one of the directors, was elected vice-president. President Fogel reappointed Charles L. Elliot, a son of Frank Elliot, secretary-treasurer; William J. Sheeline, business manager, and Charles S. Doolin team manager.

HORSE RACING NOT DEAD.

Contests at Sheepshead Bay Indicated for Next Three Years.

New York, December 12.—That horse racing in the metropolitan district is not yet dead, despite the strict enforcement of the anti-betting law, and that there will be contests between the thoroughbreds over the beautiful course at Sheepshead Bay for at least three seasons to come is indicated by the Coney Island Jockey Club's call to-day for nominations for the Futurity of 1912.

The Futurity—the blue ribbon event of the American turf—is for two-year-olds, and at eighty feet short of six furlongs. The estimated value of the stake for 1912 is given at \$50,000. This amount is made up mostly from the subscriptions of nominators of horses for the event. The Coney Island Jockey Club adds \$5,000 to the subscriptions.

A permit was issued to-day in the office of the Building Inspector to Dr. J. K. Blair to repair a frame dwelling, 220 East Broad Street, to cost \$200.

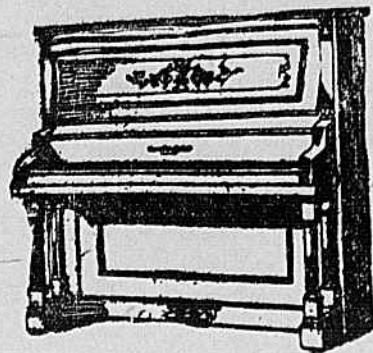
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